

Wednesday 19 February 2020

Business Bulletin

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The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Today's Business

Meeting of the Parliament

1:15 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

1:15 pm Members' Business — S5M-20554
Rachael Hamilton: Smoking Ban for Play
Parks and Outdoor Sports Facilities

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: The Presiding
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today's Transport, Infrastructure and
Connectivity questions.

followed by Scottish Labour Party Debate:
Standing up for NHS staff and patients

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

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20055 Gil Paterson: The Cochno Stone and
the Social Value of Scotland's Prehistoric
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Committee Meetings

8:30am Rural Economy and Connectivity
Committee

9:30am Local Government and Communities
Committee

10:00am Education and Skills Committee

10:00am Finance and Constitution
Committee

Meeting of the Parliament

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1:15 pm Members' Business — S5M-20554 Rachael Hamilton: Smoking Ban for Play Parks and Outdoor Sports Facilities

S5M-20554 Rachael Hamilton: Smoking Ban for Play Parks and Outdoor Sports

Facilities—That the Parliament notes the view that Scotland should ban smoking in play parks, outdoor sports facilities and other similar outdoor areas; understands that section 4 of the Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Act 2005 does not provide powers to do so; acknowledges that the Welsh Government introduced the Public Health (Wales) Act 2017, which imposes a ban there on smoking in these types of places; believes that such a ban in Scotland would improve public health, especially in helping to alleviate the effects of passive smoking on children in the Borders and across the country, and notes the calls for the Scottish Government to legislate accordingly.

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions: The Presiding Officer has grouped questions 4 and 5 at today's Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity questions.

Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity

- 1. Gail Ross:** To ask the Scottish Government when electronic signage will be installed along the A9, north of Inverness. ([S5O-04121](#))
- 2. Oliver Mundell:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it is taking to improve road safety around schools in rural areas. ([S5O-04122](#))
- 3. Claudia Beamish:** To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on reported rural bus route reductions in South Scotland. ([S5O-04123](#))
- 4. Daniel Johnson:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has reviewed its transport procurement processes and criteria, in light of recent issues relating to ferry contracts. ([S5O-04124](#))
- 5. Jeremy Balfour:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Competition and Markets Authority's analysis of its handling of ferry contracts and the potential effect this has on future procurement. ([S5O-04125](#))
- 6. Gillian Martin:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the progress of the Scottish 4G Infill programme in Aberdeenshire. ([S5O-04126](#))
- 7. Johann Lamont:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to the Get Glasgow Moving petition calling for publicly-owned buses. ([S5O-04127](#))
- 8. Annie Wells:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it has explored the possibility of a bridge between Scotland and Northern Ireland. ([S5O-04128](#))

Justice and the Law Officers

- 1. Alasdair Allan:** To ask the Scottish Government how the justice system provides support to victims of serious crime and keeps them informed at every stage of the process. ([S5O-04129](#))
- 2. Jenny Gilruth:** [Not Lodged] ([S5O-04130](#))

3. Liz Smith: To ask the Scottish Government whether it will provide an update on the introduction of transdermal alcohol monitoring tags. ([S5O-04131](#))

4. Willie Coffey: To ask the Scottish Government whether it is considering a policy of granting a right of access for children to their grandparents in cases of family separation. ([S5O-04132](#))

5. James Kelly: To ask the Scottish Government what progress has been made on implementing the provisions in the Management of Offenders (Scotland) Act 2019. ([S5O-04133](#))

6. Shona Robison: To ask the Scottish Government how increased investment, outlined in its draft budget, will help support the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service. ([S5O-04134](#))

7. Liam Kerr: To ask the Scottish Government what discussions it has had with Police Scotland regarding surveillance of drug supply routes. ([S5O-04135](#))

8. Keith Brown: To ask the Scottish Government how it is engaging with interested parties, such as Families Need Fathers, during stage 1 of the Children (Scotland) Bill. ([S5O-04136](#))

followed by Scottish Labour Party Debate: Standing up for NHS staff and patients

[S5M-20882](#) Monica Lennon: Standing up for NHS Staff and Patients—That the Parliament has serious concerns about governance, leadership, performance and financial sustainability within the health service, noting that six territorial NHS boards are at level three or higher on the performance escalation framework; notes the forthcoming public inquiry into the scandals in NHS Lothian and NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde; considers that challenges and risks within the NHS are not being satisfactorily addressed by the Scottish Government, to the detriment of patients and NHS staff; pays tribute to NHS staff for their dedication to patient care and is worried that more than half of doctors and nurses surveyed by BMA Scotland and RCN Scotland link heavy workloads to negative impacts on their own health; believes that the Scottish Government must be more transparent on its stewardship of the NHS, in accordance with Open Government principles, and that the culture of secrecy must end; calls on the Scottish Government to ensure that ministers are accountable to the public and staff through the chairing of annual health board meetings, and agrees that the Parliament should have the power to take evidence from all departing health board chief executives and chairpersons.

The Presiding Officer has selected the following amendments

[S5M-20882.3](#) Jeane Freeman: Standing up for NHS Staff and Patients—As an amendment to motion S5M-20882 in the name of Monica Lennon (Standing up for NHS Staff and Patients), leave out from "has serious concerns" to end and insert "pays tribute to NHS staff for their dedication to patient care and safety, commending them for the work they are doing in implementing plans for workforce development, waiting times improvements and enhancing mental health services; welcomes that the draft budget for 2020-21 would ensure that health funding will be £1.4 billion higher than had there been only real terms funding increases since 2016; notes that Lord Brodie will chair the public inquiry into the Royal Hospital for Children and Young People in Edinburgh and the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital and that the terms of reference for this inquiry are currently under development; welcomes that the Scottish Government ensures that ministers are accountable to the public and staff through the chairing of annual health board meetings, and notes that, should they choose to do so, the Parliament's committees already have the power to take evidence from all departing health board chief executives and chairpersons."

[S5M-20882.1](#) Miles Briggs: Standing up for NHS Staff and Patients—As an amendment to motion S5M-20882 in the name of Monica Lennon (Standing up for NHS Staff and Patients), insert

at end "; believes that there is a need to improve the holistic care and support provided to NHS and social care staff, including pre- and post-shift support, in order to promote wellbeing; condemns bullying in any part of the NHS, and calls on the Scottish Government to bring a full debate on the Sturrock review before Parliament at the earliest opportunity.”

followed by Business Motions

[S5M-20904](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 25 February 2020

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Standards, Procedures and Public Appointment Committee Debate: Assistance for Political Parties

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 26 February 2020

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Culture, Tourism and External Affairs; Education and Skills

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 27 February 2020

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Ministerial Statement: COP 26 - Our Contribution to Global Climate Action

followed by Portfolio Questions: Health and Sport

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Budget (Scotland) (No.4) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 3 March 2020

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Each for Equal: Celebrating International Women's Day 2020

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 4 March 2020

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Communities and Local Government; Social Security and Older People

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Scottish Rate Resolution

followed by Education and Skills Committee Debate: STEM in Early Years Education

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

6.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 5 March 2020

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Question Time

followed by Portfolio Questions: Finance

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Budget (Scotland) (No.4) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 24 February 2020, in rule 13.7.3, after the word “except” the words “to the extent to which the Presiding Officer considers that the questions are on the same or similar subject matter or” are inserted.

[S5M-20906](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Consumer Scotland Bill at stage 2 be completed by 6 March 2020.

[S5M-20907](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Children (Scotland) Bill at stage 1 be extended to 24 April 2020.

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

[S5M-20908](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Designation of Lead Committee—That the Parliament agrees that the Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the Tied Pubs (Scotland) Bill at stage 1.

[S5M-20909](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Fuel Poverty (Additional Amount in respect of Remote Rural Area, Remote Small Town and Island Area) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 [draft] be approved.

[S5M-20910](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Fuel Poverty (Enhanced Heating) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 [draft] be approved.

[S5M-20911](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Representation of the People (Data Matching) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 [draft] be approved.

[S5M-20912](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI—That the Parliament agrees that the Representation of the People (Annual Canvass) Amendment (Scotland) Order 2020 [draft] be approved.

5:00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business — **[S5M-20055](#) Gil Paterson: The Cochno Stone and the Social Value of Scotland's Prehistoric Rock Art**

[S5M-20055](#) Gil Paterson: The Cochno Stone and the Social Value of Scotland's Prehistoric Rock Art—That the Parliament congratulates Dr Kenny Brophy of the University of Glasgow Archaeology Department on the extensive work on prehistoric rock art throughout a wide expanse of West Dunbartonshire; notes that this includes numerous excavations in the Faifley area of Clydebank, including, in particular, the Cochno Stone; understands that this is one of Europe’s most important examples of rock carvings, and that this was entirely uncovered and intricately documented, including a full digital scan and recording; notes that this important work by Dr Brophy and his university team was assisted over many months by volunteers from far and wide, including local people and school pupils, and considers that this project is a model for collaboration between experts, well-practised helpers and a very supportive, well-informed community that wants to bring to the wider world the iconic art that is there to be exposed, enjoyed and celebrated by all.

Committee Meetings

All meetings take place in the Scottish Parliament, unless otherwise specified.

Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee 6th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 8:30 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft Stage 1 report.
2. **Queensferry Crossing:** The Committee will take evidence on the recent closure of the Crossing due to safety concerns from—
Michael Matheson, Cabinet Secretary for Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity, Dr Hazel McDonald, Chief Bridges Engineer, and Laurence Shackman, Queensferry Crossing Project Manager (Design and Construction phase), Scottish Government; Mark Arndt, Operating Company Representative, Amey Forth Bridge Operating Company.
3. **Budget Scrutiny 2020-21:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Budget 2020-21 from—
Michael Matheson, Cabinet Secretary for Transport, Infrastructure and Connectivity, Lee Shedden, Director of Finance, Donald Morrison, Head of Asset Management and Procurement, Chris Wilcock, Head of Ferries Unit, and Lawrence Shackman, Head of Major Rail Projects and Technical Services, Scottish Government.
4. **Subordinate legislation:** The Committee will take evidence on the Direct Payments to Farmers (Legislative Continuity) (Scotland) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2020 from—
Fergus Ewing, Cabinet Secretary for the Rural Economy, Andrew Crawley, Lawyer, Scottish Government Legal Directorate (SGLD), and Lynne Stewart, Head of Direct Payments, Rural Payments and Inspections Directorate, Scottish Government.
5. **Subordinate legislation:** Fergus Ewing (Cabinet Secretary for the Rural Economy) to move—
S5M-20849—That the Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee recommends that the Direct Payments to Farmers (Legislative Continuity) (Scotland) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2020 be approved.
6. **Budget Scrutiny 2020-21:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Budget 2020-21 from—
Fergus Ewing, Cabinet Secretary for the Rural Economy, Annabel Turpie, Director of Agriculture and Rural Delivery, Shiree Donnelly, Head of Finance, Agriculture and Rural Economy, and Richard Rollison, Deputy Director, Directorate for Economic Development, Scottish Government.

Local Government and Communities Committee 6th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Budget Scrutiny 2020-21:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Budget 2020-21 from—

Councillor Gail Macgregor, Spokesperson for Resources, and Vicki Bibby, Head of Resources, COSLA;

Jim Boyle, Chair, CIPFA Scottish Directors of Finance Section;

David Robertson, Member, Society of Local Authority Chief Executives;

and then from—

Aileen Campbell, Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Local Government, Kate Forbes, Cabinet Secretary for Finance, Graham Owenson, Team Leader LG Finance, Local Taxation Policy & Business Rates, and Shirley Laing, Director for Housing and Social Justice, Scottish Government.

3. **Budget Scrutiny 2020-21:** The Committee will consider evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Education and Skills Committee 4th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Disclosure (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence from—
Kevin Lee, Disclosure Bill Team Leader, Disclosure Scotland;
Gemma Grant, Lawyer, Legal Directorate, Scottish Government.
2. **STEM in early years education:** The Committee will consider the responses to its STEM in early years education report.
3. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Finance and Constitution Committee 4th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 10:00 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Budget Scrutiny 2020-21 (in private):** The Committee will consider a draft report on the Scottish Government's Budget 2020-21.

Future Meetings of the Parliament

Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 12 February 2020

Thursday 20 February 2020

11:40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11:40 am General Questions

12:00 pm First Minister's Questions

12:45 pm Members' Business — S5M-20548 Maurice Golden: Tackling Climate Change, the Role of Scottish Agriculture

2:00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2:00 pm Portfolio Questions

Government Business and Constitutional Relations

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill

followed by Legislative Consent Motion: Terrorist Offenders (Restriction of Early Release) Bill

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followed by Stage 1 Debate: Scottish Budget 2020-21

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5:00 pm Decision Time

Future Committee Meetings

This section includes the agendas of the forthcoming committee meetings and outlines proposed future business, which may be subject to change. Committees have the right to take items in private and this will be notified as far in advance as possible.

Many committees include details of their future business on their webpages, which can be accessed on the committee hub page.

<http://www.parliament.scot/business/committees/index.htm>

Culture, Tourism, Europe and External Affairs Committee

20 February 2020

6th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the Robert Burns Room (CR1)

1. **Declaration of interests:** Beatrice Wishart will be invited to declare any relevant interests.
2. **Article 50 inquiry: Withdrawal Agreement and Negotiation of the Future Relationship:** The Committee will take evidence from—

Michael Russell, Cabinet Secretary for the Constitution, Europe and External Affairs, and David Barnes, Head of EU Exit Strategy and Negotiations, Scottish Government.

3. **Consideration of evidence (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.
4. **Work programme (in private):** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

The next meeting of the Committee is on 27 February. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Stephen Herbert, on 0131-348-5234 or europe@parliament.scot.

Equalities and Human Rights Committee

20 February 2020

3rd Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the Mary Fairfax Somerville Room (CR2)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 5 in private.
2. **Civil Partnership (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—

Morag Driscoll, Convener of Child and Family Law Committee, Law Society of Scotland;
Dr Andy Hayward, Associate Professor in Family Law, Durham Law School;

Dr Kelly Kollman, Senior Lecturer in Politics, University of Glasgow;

Martin Loat, Chair, Equal Civil Partnerships Campaign;

Prof Kenneth Norrie, Professor of Law, University of Strathclyde;

Prof Elaine Sutherland, Professor of Child and Family Law, University of Stirling.

3. **Budget Scrutiny 2020-21:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Budget 2020-21 from—

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Christina McKelvie, Minister for Older People and Equalities, Sean Stronach, Joint Head of the Equality Unit, and Emma Harvey, Equality Unit Performance Manager, Scottish Government.

4. **Civil Partnership (Scotland) Bill (in private):** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at item 2.
5. **Budget Scrutiny 2020-21:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at item 3.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 27 February 2020 the Committee expects to will continue to take evidence on its Civil Partnership bill. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, whose details are provided at the end of the Bulletin.

Justice Committee 20 February 2020 7th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

1. **Children (Scotland) Bill:** The Committee will take evidence on the Bill at Stage 1 from—
The Honourable Lady Wise;
Sheriff Tait.
2. **Justice Sub-Committee on Policing:** The Committee will consider a report back from the Sub-Committee meetings held on 30 January and 6 February 2020.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact Stephen Imrie, Clerk to the Committee on 0131 348 5195 or by email stephen.imrie@parliament.scot

Public Audit and Post-legislative Scrutiny Committee 20 February 2020 5th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the Adam Smith Room (CR5)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 3 and 4 in private.
2. **Section 23 report - Privately financed infrastructure investment: The Non-Profit Distributing (NPD) and hub models:** The Committee will take evidence from-

Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;

Mark Taylor, Assistant Director, Audit Services, Graeme Greenhill, Senior Manager, and Martin McLauchlan, Audit Manager, Performance Audit and Best Value, Audit Scotland.

3. **Section 23 report - Privately financed infrastructure investment: The Non-Profit Distributing (NPD) and hub models:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard at agenda item 2 and take further evidence from—
Caroline Gardner, Auditor General for Scotland;
Mark Taylor, Assistant Director, Audit Services, Graeme Greenhill, Senior Manager, and Martin McLauchlan, Audit Manager, Performance Audit and Best Value, Audit Scotland.

4. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

Future business to be confirmed. For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Lucy Scharbert at papls.committee@parliament.scot

Public Petitions Committee

20 February 2020

3rd Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:00 am in the Sir Alexander Fleming Room (CR3)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 4 in private.
2. **Consideration of continued petitions:** The Committee will consider the following continued petitions—
 - PE1662 on Improve Treatment for Patients with Lyme Disease and Associated Tick-borne Diseases;
 - PE1688 on Permitted development rights in conservation areas;
 - PE1710 on Community hospital and council care home services in Scotland;
 - PE1713 on Ban the use of 'Mosquito Devices' in Scotland;
 - PE1726 on Primary Hyperparathyroidism;
 - PE1729 on Legal protection of crofts from local authority care charges;
 - PE1730 on Registration of home educated children in Scotland;
 - PE1732 on A toolkit for working with the Pathological Demand Avoidance profile of ASD; and
 - PE1739 on Improve access to weight loss surgery.
3. **Consideration of new petitions:** The Committee will consider the following new petitions—
 - PE1776 on Dogs are not inanimate objects;
 - PE1778 on Review the Scottish Landlords Register scheme;
 - PE1779 on Reducing the risk of ovarian cancer; and
 - PE1780 on Consultation on the closure of large shops on New Year's Day.
4. **Review of the Public Petitions system:** The Committee will consider a paper on the Review of the Public Petitions system.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the clerk to the Committee, Lynn Russell, on 0131 348 5254 or petitions@parliament.scot

Social Security Committee

20 February 2020

5th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 9:30 am in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Budget Scrutiny 2020-21:** The Committee will take evidence on the Scottish Government's Budget 2020-21 from—

Shirley-Anne Somerville, Cabinet Secretary for Social Security and Older People, Kevin Stevens, Head of Strategic & Programme Finance, Social Security Directorate, and Alison Byrne, Deputy Director Social Security Programme Delivery Support, Scottish Government;
James Wallace, Deputy Director Finance and Corporate Services, Social Security Scotland.

3. **Budget Scrutiny 2020-21:** The Committee will consider the evidence heard.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting on 27 February the Committee expects to take evidence from the Scottish Fiscal Commission. For further information, contact Anne Peat, the Clerk to the Committee, on 0131 348 5182 or by email at SocialSecurityCommittee@parliament.scot.

Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee

20 February 2020

5th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 10:15 am in the James Clerk Maxwell Room (CR4)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take items 2 and 3 in private.
2. **Correspondence:** The Committee will consider correspondence it has received.
3. **Work programme:** The Committee will consider its work programme.

Proposed future business

At its next meeting, on 27 February, the Committee expects to take oral evidence from the Commissioner for Ethical Standards in Public Life in Scotland on her annual report and strategic plan.

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Committee, Katy Orr, on 0131 348 6924 or at SPPACCommittee@parliament.scot.

Justice Sub-Committee on Policing

20 February 2020

4th Meeting, 2020

The Committee will meet at 1.00 pm in the David Livingstone Room (CR6)

1. **Decision on taking business in private:** The Committee will decide whether to take item 3 in private.
2. **Policing 2020-21 draft budget:** The Sub-Committee will take evidence from—
Humza Yousaf, Cabinet Secretary for Justice, Clare Hicks, Deputy Director Police Division, and Avril Davidson, Head of Finance and Assets Team Police Division, Scottish Government.
3. **Policing 2020-21 draft budget:** The Sub-Committee will review the evidence heard earlier in the meeting.

Proposed future business

For further information, contact the Clerk to the Sub-Committee by emailing justicecommittee@parliament.scot or on 0131 348 5220.

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Motions

Motions and amendments are usually printed the day after lodging. When an amendment is lodged, then the original motion will be republished alongside it.

Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

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The Parliamentary Bureau periodically deletes motions or amendments that are over six weeks old and not scheduled for debate.

Questions regarding this section should be directed to the Chamber Desk.

Motions for Debate

***[S5M-20922](#) Michael Russell: Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill**—That the Parliament agrees that the Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill be passed.
Supported by: Graeme Dey*

***[S5M-20921](#) Humza Yousaf: Terrorist Offenders (Restriction of Early Release) Bill - UK Legislation**—That the Parliament agrees that the relevant provisions of the Terrorist Offenders (Restriction of Early Release) Bill, introduced in the House of Commons on 11 February 2020, relating to Scottish Ministers' power to refer prisoners to the Parole Board, Scottish Ministers' power to release prisoners when recommended to do so by the Parole Board and disapplication of certain powers held by Scottish Ministers' in respect of the early release of prisoners, so far as these matters alter the executive competence of Scottish Ministers, should be considered by the UK Parliament.
Supported by: Graeme Dey*

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***[S5M-20882.3](#) Jeane Freeman: Standing up for NHS Staff and Patients**—As an amendment to motion S5M-20882 in the name of Monica Lennon (Standing up for NHS Staff and Patients), leave out from "has serious concerns" to end and insert "pays tribute to NHS staff for their dedication to patient care and safety, commending them for the work they are doing in implementing plans for workforce development, waiting times improvements and enhancing mental health services; welcomes that the draft budget for 2020-21 would ensure that health funding will be £1.4 billion higher than had there been only real terms funding increases since 2016; notes that Lord Brodie will chair the public inquiry into the Royal Hospital for Children and Young People in Edinburgh and the Queen Elizabeth University Hospital and that the terms of reference for this inquiry are currently under development; welcomes that the Scottish Government ensures that ministers are accountable to the public and staff through the chairing of annual health board meetings, and notes that, should they choose to do so, the Parliament's committees already have the power to take evidence from all departing health board chief executives and chairpersons."

Supported by: Joe FitzPatrick*, Clare Haughey*

***[S5M-20882.2](#) Alison Johnstone: Standing up for NHS Staff and Patients**—As an amendment to motion S5M-20882 in the name of Monica Lennon (Standing up for NHS Staff and Patients), insert at end "; acknowledges that the Scottish Government's 2020 Vision will not be achieved by 2020; calls on it to work with partners to develop a new health and social care strategy, supporting the system-wide reform required to increase the pace of change; agrees that staff are at the heart of the NHS and social care and that every step must be taken to ensure they can care for the people of Scotland in a respectful, safe and fulfilling environment, and calls for regular public reporting on progress against the health and social care delivery plan."

***[S5M-20882.1](#) Miles Briggs: Standing up for NHS Staff and Patients**—As an amendment to motion S5M-20882 in the name of Monica Lennon (Standing up for NHS Staff and Patients), insert at end "; believes that there is a need to improve the holistic care and support provided to NHS and social care staff, including pre- and post-shift support, in order to promote wellbeing; condemns bullying in any part of the NHS, and calls on the Scottish Government to bring a full debate on the Sturrock review before Parliament at the earliest opportunity."

Members' Business motions that have achieved cross party support

***[S5M-20901](#) Emma Harper: Eating Disorders Awareness Week 2020**—That the Parliament notes that 2 to 8 March marks Eating Disorders Awareness Week 2020; understands that approximately 1.25 million people in the UK have an eating disorder and that these conditions are serious mental illnesses that can have high mortality rates; acknowledges the importance of organisations such as Beat and the Scottish Eating Disorders Interest Group in providing vital support to families and professionals; notes the valuable work that Diabetes Scotland does to help people who have, or are at risk of developing an eating disorder, and the assistance that it provides to those that support them; commends NHS Lothian and Beat for the development and delivery of nationwide peer-support services for young people with an eating disorder and their families; welcomes the recognition by the Scottish Government in its Mental Health Strategy 2017-2027 of the crucial role that the third sector plays in supporting people, providing services, carrying out research and developing policies; further welcomes the commitment in the Strategy for access to the most effective and safe care and treatment for mental health problems to be made available across Scotland, and commends the Children and Young People's Mental Health Taskforce for recognising the importance of empowering and supporting families and other carers.

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Supported by: Richard Lyle*, Sandra White*, Jeremy Balfour*, Stuart McMillan*, Rona Mackay*, David Torrance*, Kenneth Gibson*, Bill Kidd*, Liam McArthur*, Monica Lennon*, John Mason*

Members' Business motions that have not achieved cross party support

***S5M-20919 Stuart McMillan: Communication Failure?, A Review of the Accessibility of Health Information for Blind and Partially Sighted People**—That the Parliament notes the contents of the RNIB Scotland report, *Communication Failure?*, launched on 17 February 2020, highlighting what it considers communication failures of NHS boards regarding people with sight loss or visual impairment; considers that the actions of each NHS board, including NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde, which covers the Greenock and Inverclyde constituency, are putting blind and partially sighted people at risk of missing treatments and potentially leading to increased ill health due to inaccessible health information; believes that patient confidentiality is being breached due to individuals relying on carers, relatives or friends to read appointment letters on their behalf; understands that 170,000 people in Scotland have significant sight loss, and therefore considers that the need for accessibility is high, and notes the view that every NHS board should engage with organisations that deal with sight loss to provide a more person-centred approach to communicating with such people.

Supported by: Annabelle Ewing*, Colin Beattie*, Richard Lyle*, Jeremy Balfour*, Sandra White*, David Torrance*

***S5M-20890 Annabelle Ewing: Local Connection and Intentionality**—That the Parliament welcomes the Scottish Government's commitment to ending homelessness through the agreement to remove the barriers of local connection and intentionality; believes that, once achieved, this will reduce barriers that stop homeless people in Cowdenbeath and across Scotland getting the support that they need to end their homelessness, and will also enable local authorities to take a more person-centred approach to supporting them; notes that this is part of the Scottish Government's commitment to end homelessness through the Ending Homelessness Together High Level Action Plan; considers that, once it is achieved, this change will bring Scotland closer to the ideal legislative framework for homelessness, as set out in the Crisis plan, Everybody In, to end homelessness in Great Britain; believes that Scotland has some of the strongest homelessness legislation in the world and has the first government in the UK to commit to ending homelessness, and congratulates third sector organisations, including Crisis, on their tireless policy and campaigning work to see homelessness end.

Other new and altered motions and amendments

***S5M-20923 Graeme Dey: Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill**—That the Parliament agrees that, during stage 3 of the Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill, debate on groups of amendments shall, subject to Rule 9.8.4A, be brought to a conclusion by the time limits indicated, those time limits being calculated from when the stage begins and excluding any periods when other business is under consideration or when a meeting of the Parliament is suspended (other than a suspension following the first division in the stage being called) or otherwise not in progress:

Groups 1 and 2: 45 minutes

Groups 3 to 5: 1 hour 40 minutes.

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***S5M-20920 Rona Mackay: Bishopbriggs' Choir Raises Over £370,000 for CHAS**—That the Parliament commends the Bishopbriggs-based choir, Springfield Cambridge Festival Chorus and Orchestra, on raising £33,218 from its annual concert, which will be donated to CHAS; understands that the concert was performed by the 160-voice chorus, the Springfield Vocal Ensemble and full orchestra, as well as guest soloists; notes the cumulative amount raised by the choir over the years for CHAS amounts to over £370,000; congratulates and thanks the choir members for their incredible fundraising efforts, which it believes are a testament to their talent and their enthusiasm for the cause, and wishes them well.

Supported by: Richard Lyle*, Stuart McMillan*, Sandra White*

***S5M-20918 Gil Paterson: Innovative Safety Technology Installed in West Dunbartonshire Refuse Vehicles**—That the Parliament commends West Dunbartonshire Council on becoming, it understands, the first council in the UK to introduce innovative safety technology that allows its refuse collection vehicles to be brought to a controlled stop in an emergency situation; notes that the VT StopSafe System allows crew members to safely slow down and stop the vehicle if the driver loses control for any reason; understands that the Vehicle Certification Authority-approved safety feature has recently been installed in each of the council's 21 bin lorries; further understands that all waste staff have received training in operating the system; welcomes this initiative, which it considers keeps staff and residents safe, and applauds West Dunbartonshire Council for introducing these safety measures.

Supported by: Richard Lyle*, Stuart McMillan*, Sandra White*, Alison Johnstone*

***S5M-20916 Annie Wells: Purple Friday**—That the Parliament celebrates the annual event, Purple Friday, which takes place on 28 February 2020; acknowledges that Purple Friday is a day to stand against homophobia, biphobia and transphobia and show support for LGBTI young people in Scotland; looks forward to seeing the map of Scotland turn purple as individuals and organisations register for events taking place across the country, and thanks LGBT Youth Scotland for encouraging people to take action, standing up for equality and helping to make Scotland what it sees as the best place for young LGBTI people to grow up.

Supported by: Jamie Greene*, Alexander Stewart*, Miles Briggs*, Brian Whittle*, Finlay Carson*, Monica Lennon*, Richard Lyle*, Mark McDonald*, Jackson Carlaw*, Edward Mountain*

***S5M-20915 Neil Findlay: West Lothian Leisure Wins Gold Award**—That the Parliament congratulates West Lothian Leisure on winning a Gold Award for the second year in a row; notes that the award is part of the Member Experience Awards, which recognise operators in the commercial, public and not-for-profit sectors across the UK; understands that the trust runs sport, physical activity and cultural services from 20 sites across the county, and wishes it the best of luck for winning another award next year.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson*

***S5M-20914 Neil Findlay: Young West Lothian Skaters Star in Documentary**—That the Parliament congratulates three young skaters from West Lothian who star in a documentary, *Long Live Livi*, which is going to be shown at the Glasgow Film Festival; understands that the documentary stars Poppie Smyth and Rudi and Mac Morrice and tells the story of Livingston's famous skatepark falling into disrepair and recent efforts to bring it back to life, and commends the young skaters for being prepared to show their love of the skatepark and the friendships they have made through skating at such a young age.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*

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***[S5M-20913](#) Neil Findlay: Lucy Roy Will Represent Scotland At Dance World Cup**—That the Parliament congratulates Lucy Roy, who is from Linlithgow, on winning a place on the Scottish team to compete at the Dance World Cup in Rome in summer 2020; understands that Lucy is a ballet dancer, currently studying at Edinburgh Festival Ballet School, and wishes her all the best at the World Cup and in her future career.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Edward Mountain*

***[S5M-20912](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the Representation of the People (Annual Canvass) Amendment (Scotland) Order 2020 [draft] be approved.

***[S5M-20911](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the Representation of the People (Data Matching) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 [draft] be approved.

***[S5M-20910](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the Fuel Poverty (Enhanced Heating) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 [draft] be approved.

***[S5M-20909](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Approval of SSI**—That the Parliament agrees that the Fuel Poverty (Additional Amount in respect of Remote Rural Area, Remote Small Town and Island Area) (Scotland) Regulations 2020 [draft] be approved.

***[S5M-20908](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Designation of Lead Committee**—That the Parliament agrees that the Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee be designated as the lead committee in consideration of the Tied Pubs (Scotland) Bill at stage 1.

***[S5M-20907](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion**—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Children (Scotland) Bill at stage 1 be extended to 24 April 2020.

***[S5M-20906](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion**—That the Parliament agrees that consideration of the Consumer Scotland Bill at stage 2 be completed by 6 March 2020.

***[S5M-20904](#) Graeme Dey on behalf of the Parliamentary Bureau: Business Motion**—That the Parliament agrees—

(a) the following programme of business—

Tuesday 25 February 2020

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Standards, Procedures and Public Appointment Committee Debate: Assistance for Political Parties

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill

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followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 26 February 2020

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Culture, Tourism and External Affairs; Education and Skills

followed by Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party Business

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 27 February 2020

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.00 pm Ministerial Statement: COP 26 - Our Contribution to Global Climate Action

followed by Portfolio Questions: Health and Sport

followed by Stage 1 Debate: Budget (Scotland) (No.4) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

Tuesday 3 March 2020

2.00 pm Time for Reflection

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

followed by Topical Questions (if selected)

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Each for Equal: Celebrating International Women's Day 2020

followed by Committee Announcements

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Wednesday 4 March 2020

2.00 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

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2.00 pm Portfolio Questions: Communities and Local Government; Social Security and Older People

followed by Scottish Government Debate: Scottish Rate Resolution

followed by Education and Skills Committee Debate: STEM in Early Years Education

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

6.00 pm Decision Time

followed by Members' Business

Thursday 5 March 2020

11.40 am Parliamentary Bureau Motions

11.40 am General Questions

12.00 pm First Minister's Questions

followed by Members' Business

2.30 pm Parliamentary Bureau Motions

2.30 pm Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body Question Time

followed by Portfolio Questions: Finance

followed by Stage 3 Proceedings: Budget (Scotland) (No.4) Bill

followed by Business Motions

followed by Parliamentary Bureau Motions

5.00 pm Decision Time

(b) that, for the purposes of Portfolio Questions in the week beginning 24 February 2020, in rule 13.7.3, after the word "except" the words "to the extent to which the Presiding Officer considers that the questions are on the same or similar subject matter or" are inserted.

***S5M-20903 Peter Chapman: Aberdeenshire Student Selected for National Agriculture**

Award—That the Parliament congratulates Jessica Brook on receiving a Centenary Award bursary from the NFU Mutual Charitable Trust; recognises that Julia was selected for the award to support her Masters in Soil Science at the University of Aberdeen; recognises that the bursary provides up to 75% of course fees for selected post-graduate students in agriculture; understands that Jessica has had a lifelong passion for agriculture and intends to use her Masters to assist farmers in making informed decisions, improving the environment and maximising productivity levels, and wishes her success.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Margaret Mitchell*, Bill Kidd*, Brian Whittle*, Alexander Stewart*, Stuart McMillan*, Jamie Greene*, Finlay Carson*, Edward Mountain*

***S5M-20899 Liam McArthur: Tony Merriman and Gareth Crichton Complete Budapest-**

Bamako Car Race—That the Parliament congratulates Tony Merriman and Gareth Crichton, both from Orkney, on completing the Budapest-Bamako charity car race; understands that the endurance event is a 9,000km overland road trek from Budapest to Sierra Leone and is the world's largest amateur car rally, involving around 700 competitors racing through four European countries and four African countries before finishing in the National Stadium in Freetown, Sierra Leone; acknowledges that, each year, the rally brings between €0.7 and €0.9 million worth of aid

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to West Africa and that Tony and Gareth were part of a team that has donated their car as an ambulance to a rural hospital in the Mokbanji Hills; commends all those who took part and completed such a demanding challenge; thanks all the competitors, and those who supported them, for their fundraising efforts, which will provide essential assistance to families and individuals across West Africa, and wishes Tony, Gareth and all of the competitors a safe journey home and a bit of time to recover.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*

***S5M-20898 Rona Mackay: Opening of Dòchas House in Bishopbriggs**—That the Parliament commends Dòchas House in Bishopbriggs, which is a newly-opened invaluable national resource and, it understands, the first of its kind in Scotland; acknowledges that this high-quality facility offers a safe and nurturing environment for girls who have experienced or are experiencing multiple and complex trauma, including comprehensive and individually-tailored therapeutic support; considers that the approach of Dòchas House is embedded with the practice of mutual respect between staff and girls, utilising a therapeutic and trauma-informed model of care; notes that the House, which features modern amenities, aims to provide girls with the opportunity to develop skills to manage the effects of trauma, as well as academic and vocational routes to learning, and congratulates the Director of Services, Carole Dearie, the staff and the board at St Mary's Kenmure on the opening of what it considers this revolutionary and progressive facility that will support girls with sensitivity and respect.

Supported by: Stewart Stevenson*, Sandra White*, Stuart McMillan*, Richard Lyle*, David Torrance*, Kenneth Gibson*, Bill Kidd*

***S5M-20897 Brian Whittle: Newmilns Snow and Sports Complex**—That the Parliament congratulates Newmilns Snow and Sports Complex, which has received £55,119 in National Lottery Young Start funding to support 14- to 17-year-olds by giving them access to new skills and training opportunities related to snow sports and engaging them in volunteer pathways to help secure employment or progress to further education; applauds its efforts to provide opportunities for young people, and wishes it every success.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Jeremy Balfour*, Margaret Mitchell*, Kenneth Gibson*, Bill Kidd*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Jamie Greene*, Finlay Carson*, Edward Mountain*

***S5M-20896 Brian Whittle: Stair Community Association**—That the Parliament congratulates the Stair Community Association, which has received a £10,000 National Lottery Awards for All Scotland grant to repair and renew its car park; believes that this will be of benefit to the various communities in and around Stair, including people in Drongan, Ochiltree and Mauchline; commends the efforts of the Association to support residents and strengthen ties between small rural communities, and wishes it every success.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Alexander Stewart*, Jeremy Balfour*, Margaret Mitchell*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Jamie Greene*, Finlay Carson*, Edward Mountain*

***S5M-20895 Brian Whittle: South West Kinship Care Group**—That the Parliament congratulates the South West Kinship Care Group, which has received a £8,587 National Lottery Awards for All Scotland grant to organise a holiday in Ayr over the 2020 Easter school holidays for 17 kinship carers and 32 children; commends the efforts of the Group and its carers, and wishes them every success.

Supported by: Alexander Stewart*, Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Margaret Mitchell*, Bill Kidd*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Jamie Greene*, Finlay Carson*, Edward Mountain*

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***S5M-20894 Brian Whittle: Shire Housing Association**—That the Parliament congratulates the Shire Housing Association, which has received a £5,497 National Lottery Awards for All Scotland grant to deliver a roving arts project over a number of weeks in communities in and around Netherthird, East Ayrshire; understands that this will offer people the opportunity to contribute towards the creation of a mosaic celebrating the 70th anniversary of the community; commends the efforts of the Association to strengthen ties in the community, and wishes it every success.

Supported by: Alexander Stewart*, Miles Briggs*, Margaret Mitchell*, Annie Wells*, Michelle Ballantyne*, Jamie Greene*, Finlay Carson*, Edward Mountain*

***S5M-20893 Maurice Corry: Whitecrook Nursery Manager Retires After 43 Years of Service**—That the Parliament congratulates Patricia Goodfellow of Dalmuir on her 43 years of dedicated service to nursery and primary schools across Clydebank; notes that she began her teaching career at the early age of 16, and has since worked at Cochno Children's Home, St Eunan's Primary and Jamestown Early Education Centre, spending the last eight years at Whitecrook Nursery; recognises the passionate and nurturing service that Patricia has given to the many children she calls "the adults of tomorrow"; acknowledges that she is returning to college to become a children's book author and will continue to enrich the lives of young people through her writing, and wishes Patricia every success in her future endeavours.

Supported by: Richard Lyle*, Finlay Carson*, Miles Briggs*, Brian Whittle*, Stuart McMillan*, Alexander Stewart*, Margaret Mitchell*, Jamie Greene*, Bill Kidd*, Annie Wells*, Michelle Ballantyne*

***S5M-20892 Michelle Ballantyne: Scottish Schools Indoor Championships**—That the Parliament congratulates Peebles High School pupils, Charlotte Clare and Ellie O'Hara, on their successes at the Scottish Schools Indoor Championships 2020, which were held in the Emirates Arena in Glasgow; notes that Charlotte took first place in the over-16s 800 metres and that Ellie broke the Championship record in the over-16s long jump, took first place in the triple jump and was awarded a bronze medal for her efforts in the 60 metres; commends the efforts of the Peebles High School competitors as well as those from other schools across Scotland, and wishes them all the best for the future.

Supported by: Brian Whittle*, Finlay Carson*, Gordon Lindhurst*, Alexander Stewart*, Margaret Mitchell*, Jamie Greene*, Stuart McMillan*, Bill Kidd*, Alison Johnstone*, Jeremy Balfour*, Kenneth Gibson*, Annie Wells*

***S5M-20891 Michelle Ballantyne: Kingsmeadow Nursery, STEM Education**—That the Parliament commends Kingsmeadow Nursery in Peebles on introducing STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) learning as part of its curriculum; understands that the inclusion of STEM exploration with the children was developed after the nursery worked with Jennifer Allan, an education and social sciences lecturer from the University of West Scotland; notes that the nursery has found that STEM exploration helps children to develop their literacy and numeracy skills as well as their problem solving and critical thinking abilities; congratulates the staff of Kingsmeadow Nursery on their commitment to STEM education, and wishes them all the best for the future.

Supported by: Miles Briggs*, Finlay Carson*, Brian Whittle*, Alexander Stewart*, Margaret Mitchell*, Jamie Greene*, Annie Wells*, Bill Kidd*, Jeremy Balfour*

***S5M-20888 Gail Ross: Caithness Resident Wins Most Innovative Business Award**—That the Parliament congratulates the Caithness resident, Terry Elder, who won £1,000 for the Most

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Innovative Business in the UHI Business Competition, and understands that Terry's innovative idea was a tractor loader front bale handle with hydraulic folding spikes, which would reduce the amount of accidents on the road, while adhering to new legislation, which requires handling equipment to be folded back, removed or covered on the road.

Supported by: Stewart Stevenson*, Bill Kidd*, David Torrance*, Richard Lyle*

***S5M-20887 Gail Ross: Environmental Research Institute at North Highland College UHI Secures Funding for Peatland Research**—That the Parliament congratulates Dr Roxane Andersen from the Environmental Research Institute at North Highland College UHI on securing a £986,000 grant provided by the Leverhulme Trust; understands that this grant will fund a major new research programme into the peatlands of northern Scotland; recognises that peatlands are renowned for their ability to soak up carbon dioxide from the atmosphere, promote biodiversity and provide high-quality water, and acknowledges that the project seeks to explore how climate change could affect blanket bogs as well as assessing the effectiveness of restoration efforts.

***S5M-20886 Alexander Stewart: Dunblane Theatre Group Achieves World Record**—That the Parliament congratulates Rubber Chicken Theatre, a Dunblane theatre group, on entering the *Guinness Book of Records* for the fastest-ever theatrical performance; understands that a cast and crew of nearly 200 performed the 1980s romantic comedy, *The Wedding Singer*, to a full house in the Macrobert Arts Centre in Stirling after just under 12 hours of rehearsals; acknowledges that the theatre group, whose stars are aged from just eight to over 70, took the musical to the stage on 15 February 2020, just 11 hours and 59 minutes after initially opening their scripts; acknowledges that group was confirmed as a new Guinness World Record title holder by its official adjudicator who was present during the performance and who announced the result on stage at the end; notes that the Dunblane company trimmed just over two-and-a-half hours off the previous world record set by Stage Right in Greensberg, Pennsylvania, when it put on a production of *Children Of Eden* in 14 hours 30 minutes on 9 March 2019; considers that the production choice for the Stirling performance was independently selected from a range of hundreds of musicals, which the cast and crew only found out about when they lifted the lid on a mystery box of scripts, and commends everyone involved on their sterling endeavours.

Supported by: Murdo Fraser*, Miles Briggs*, Margaret Mitchell*, Finlay Carson*, Stuart McMillan*, Annie Wells*, Bill Kidd*, Brian Whittle*, Jamie Greene*, Jeremy Balfour*

***S5M-20885 Richard Leonard: Salsburgh GP Surgery**—That the Parliament notes with concern the announcement of the planned closure of the GP surgery in Salsburgh at the end of March 2020; believes that the surgery, which has served the population for decades, offers a lifeline to many in the community by supporting them in accessing primary healthcare; welcomes what it sees as the leadership of the area's community council in organising an emergency public meeting to seek further details regarding the proposed closure; believes that a recruitment crisis in recent years has led to an increased number of GP surgeries reducing opening times or being forced into partial or full closure and that the number practices being run by NHS boards has increased by 38% since 2009, and calls on the Scottish Government to find a solution to ensure that the Salsburgh surgery remains open on a full-time basis.

Supported by: Mark Griffin*, Elaine Smith*

***S5M-20884 Stuart McMillan: Ferguson Marine Apprentice Wins Worshipful Company of Shipwrights Silver Medal**—That the Parliament congratulates Jennifer McKay, who is an apprentice at the Ferguson Marine shipyard in Port Glasgow, on beating off competition from across the UK to win the Worshipful Company of the Shipwrights Silver Medal award; understands

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that the 24-year-old, who works in the drawing office at the yard, is considered the industry's most outstanding young prospect; notes that Jennifer and fellow Ferguson's apprentice, Brendan Conway, a welder, made it to the final 17 contenders out of 100 who took part in a leadership development course in 2019, from which a shortlist of six finalists was drawn up; appreciates that Ferguson's bosses are now set to help Jennifer further her education and training as they seek to harness her, and her fellow apprentices' full potential; recognises that Jennifer has called the yard a "fantastic place to work and learn", and wishes her and the other apprentices at Ferguson's all the best for the future.

Supported by: Bill Kidd*, John Finnie*, Stewart Stevenson*, Rona Mackay*, Sandra White*, Jamie Greene*, Kenneth Gibson*, Fulton MacGregor*, Richard Lyle*, David Torrance*

***S5M-20883 Stuart McMillan: John's 20:20 Hindsight Exhibition**—That the Parliament congratulates John Dollard, from Greenock's east end, on his debut solo exhibition, *20:20 Hindsight*, at the Beacon Arts Centre; recognises that John is a self-taught artist, being a commercial painter by trade, and only started producing his own work five years ago; notes that John describes his work as Scottish Pop Art and hopes to encourage other artists locally through the Inverclyde Art Forum Facebook page that he has set up; believes that creating art can be relaxing and therapeutic for people; hopes that John's exhibition will encourage others to pick up a paint brush in their spare time, and wishes John well for the future.

Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support

S5M-20926 Kate Forbes: Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (Tax Rates and Tax Bands) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2020 [draft] (lodged on 18 February 2020)

New Support: Ben Macpherson*

S5M-20881 Gordon Lindhurst: Neatebox Named a Rising Star (lodged on 17 February 2020)

New Support: Miles Briggs*, Jeremy Balfour*, Michelle Ballantyne*

S5M-20880 Clare Adamson: Lottery Funding for The Creative Crew (lodged on 17 February 2020)

New Support: Stewart Stevenson*, Bill Kidd*, Richard Lyle*

S5M-20878 Clare Adamson: Lottery Funding for Befriend Motherwell SCIO (lodged on 17 February 2020)

New Support: Rona Mackay*, Stewart Stevenson*, Bill Kidd*, Kenneth Gibson*, Richard Lyle*, David Torrance*

S5M-20877 Daniel Johnson: University of Edinburgh Community Grants Scheme (lodged on 17 February 2020)

New Support: Elaine Smith*, Miles Briggs*, Stuart McMillan*, Jeremy Balfour*, Sarah Boyack*, Iain Gray*, Kenneth Gibson*, Bill Kidd*, Edward Mountain*

S5M-20876 Alexander Burnett: Winners of the Subsea UK Awards 2020 (lodged on 17 February 2020)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*

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[S5M-20873 Jackie Baillie: Over 22,000 Whisky Jobs at Risk Due to US Tariffs](#) (lodged on 14 February 2020)

New Support: Alex Rowley*

[S5M-20869 Maurice Golden: Tackling Air Pollution in Scotland](#) (lodged on 14 February 2020)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Annie Wells*, Michelle Ballantyne*

[S5M-20868 Finlay Carson: Carsphairn Community Woodland Receives Funding](#) (lodged on 14 February 2020)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Annie Wells*, Michelle Ballantyne*

[S5M-20867 Liam McArthur: Pentland Ferries Wins a Green Tourism Award](#) (lodged on 14 February 2020)

New Support: Rhoda Grant*

[S5M-20865 Peter Chapman: Neah Evans Named in Great Britain's UCI Track Cycling World Championship Team](#) (lodged on 14 February 2020)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Annie Wells*, Michelle Ballantyne*

[S5M-20863 Richard Lyle: Hatton Lea Care Home's Care Inspectorate Report](#) (lodged on 14 February 2020)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*

[S5M-20861 Neil Bibby: 140 Years of the Scottish Licensed Trade Association](#) (lodged on 14 February 2020)

New Support: Kenneth Gibson*

[S5M-20859 Liam Kerr: Inchgarth Community Centre](#) (lodged on 14 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Michelle Ballantyne*

[S5M-20858 Liam Kerr: Kai Crawford](#) (lodged on 14 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Michelle Ballantyne*

[S5M-20857 Liam Kerr: Rebecca Matheson](#) (lodged on 14 February 2020)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Annie Wells*, Michelle Ballantyne*

[S5M-20856 Liam Kerr: Warehouse Health Club Charity Event](#) (lodged on 14 February 2020)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Michelle Ballantyne*

[S5M-20855 Emma Harper: Dumfries and Galloway Skiing Success in Special Olympics](#) (lodged on 14 February 2020)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*

[S5M-20847 Peter Chapman: Scaling Heights for SCAA](#) (lodged on 12 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Michelle Ballantyne*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S5M-20846](#) Alexander Burnett: Aberdeen Schools Win Construction Challenge (lodged on 12 February 2020)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*

[S5M-20845](#) Alexander Burnett: Energy Success for Robert Gordon University Students (lodged on 12 February 2020)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*

[S5M-20842](#) Peter Chapman: Portessie Public Hall Management Committee (lodged on 12 February 2020)

New Support: Michelle Ballantyne*

[S5M-20841](#) Peter Chapman: Newmachar Community Centre Association (lodged on 12 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Michelle Ballantyne*

[S5M-20839](#) Daniel Johnson: Retail Giving Tops £59 Million (lodged on 12 February 2020)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*

[S5M-20836](#) Jenny Gilruth: Sam Duzinkewycz Named Young Musician of 2020 (lodged on 12 February 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-20835](#) Jenny Gilruth: Linda Tremble Foundation Receives National Lottery Funding (lodged on 12 February 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-20834](#) Jenny Gilruth: Macedonia Action Group Receives National Lottery Funding (lodged on 12 February 2020)

New Support: Fulton MacGregor*

[S5M-20831](#) Keith Brown: 40th Anniversary of the University of Stirling's Institute for Social Marketing and Health (lodged on 17 February 2020)

New Support: David Torrance*, Sandra White*

[S5M-20828](#) Sandra White: Hospital Broadcasting Service Receives National Lottery Funding (lodged on 12 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Colin Beattie*

[S5M-20827](#) Sandra White: Scottish Asian Ekta Group Receives National Lottery Funding (lodged on 12 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-20826](#) Sandra White: Guide Dogs for the Blind Receives National Lottery Funding (lodged on 12 February 2020)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour*, Annie Wells*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S5M-20825](#) Sandra White: Youth Dance Performance and Healthy Eating Programme Receives National Lottery Funding (lodged on 12 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-20822](#) Sandra White: Who Cares? Scotland Receives Young Start Funding (lodged on 12 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Colin Beattie*

[S5M-20821](#) Sandra White: Young Start Funding Supports Type 1 Diabetes Youth Empowerment Programme (lodged on 12 February 2020)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

[S5M-20820](#) Sandra White: Young Start Funding for Glasgow and Clyde Rape Crisis (lodged on 12 February 2020)

New Support: Colin Beattie*

[S5M-20819](#) Sandra White: National Lottery Community Funding Supports Glasgow Addiction Support Service (lodged on 12 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*, Colin Beattie*

[S5M-20817](#) Jeremy Balfour: Holyrood Distillery Receives Accessibility Award from Euan's Guide (lodged on 11 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-20816](#) Jeremy Balfour: Paths for All Awarded Disruption Award to Create Dementia-friendly Outdoor Spaces (lodged on 11 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-20807](#) Colin Smyth: A Secret Vote for All (lodged on 11 February 2020)

New Support: Alex Neil*, Jackie Baillie*

[S5M-20806](#) Margaret Mitchell: Taiwan Coronavirus WHO Observer Status (lodged on 11 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-20801](#) Alexander Stewart: Valleyfield Community Club (lodged on 11 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-20800](#) Alexander Stewart: Penumbra Ltd (lodged on 11 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-20799](#) Alexander Stewart: Scouts Scotland (lodged on 11 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-20798](#) Alexander Stewart: Kelty Community Cinema (lodged on 11 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*

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Motions Gluasadan				

[S5M-20797](#) Alexander Stewart: Menstrie Community Action Group Ltd (lodged on 11 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-20795](#) Alexander Stewart: Dollar Community Development Trust (lodged on 11 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-20794](#) Alexander Stewart: Dunblane Youth and Sports Centre Trust (lodged on 11 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-20785](#) Miles Briggs: NRAC Funding Parity, NHS Lothian (lodged on 07 February 2020)

New Support: Annie Wells*

[S5M-20759](#) Clare Adamson: Scotland, A WorldSkills Success Story (lodged on 05 February 2020)

New Support: Iain Gray*, Emma Harper*, John Mason*

[S5M-20626](#) Sandra White: Solar Flares:Deaf Heritage Funding Success (lodged on 28 January 2020)

New Support: Richard Lyle*

[S5M-20610](#) David Torrance: Congratulations to the Fife Self-Harm Project (lodged on 27 January 2020)

New Support: Richard Lyle*

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Questions Ceistean				

Written Questions

Questions in which a member has indicated a declarable interest are marked with an "R".

Written questions lodged on 18 February 2020

[S5W-27372](#) Andy Wightman: To ask the Scottish Government how many times a court has been closed to the public in the last five years, apart from those occasions where rules specifically require a court to sit in private, and for what reason.

[S5W-27373](#) Andy Wightman: To ask the Scottish Government how many discretionary reporting restrictions, which are not mandated by statute, have been placed on criminal proceedings in courts in the last five years.

[S5W-27489](#) Sarah Boyack: To ask the Scottish Government what actions it is taking to support Scottish Canals to ensure that all canal bridges are operable and safe.

[S5W-27490](#) Sarah Boyack: To ask the Scottish Government what its position is on whether dredging operations on canals are adequate to ensure that the whole canal network is navigable.

[S5W-27491](#) Sarah Boyack: To ask the Scottish Government what it considers the primary purpose of the Scottish canal network is, and whether this includes it being navigable.

[S5W-27492](#) Richard Leonard: To ask the Scottish Government how many current GPs it expects will retire in the next (a) five and (b) 10 years.

[S5W-27493](#) Richard Leonard: To ask the Scottish Government how many GPs have left Scotland to work (a) in the rest of the UK, (b) in an EU member state and (c) outside the EU in each of the last three years.

[S5W-27494](#) Richard Leonard: To ask the Scottish Government what communications it has had it with NHS Lanarkshire regarding the future of the Salsburgh GP surgery, and what action it can take to ensure that the surgery does not close.

[S5W-27495](#) Richard Leonard: To ask the Scottish Government how many GP practices there were on 31 January 2020, broken down by NHS board, and how this compares with 31 January 2010.

[S5W-27496](#) Richard Leonard: To ask the Scottish Government how many GPs it expects to recruit in the next (a) five and (b) 10 years.

[S5W-27497](#) Richard Leonard: To ask the Scottish Government what the (a) headcount and (b) full-time equivalent number of GPs has been on 31 January in each year since 2010, broken down by NHS board.

Amendments

New amendments to Bills lodged on 18 February 2020

Consumer Scotland Bill – Stage 2

Section 2

Andy Wightman

- 20 In section 2, page 1, line 17 leave out <consumers in Scotland> and insert <consumer interests, in particular, but limited to, harm that is—
- (i) financial,
 - (ii) emotional,
 - (iii) environmental,
 - (iv) physical>

Andy Wightman

- 21 In section 2, page 1, line 18, leave out <businesses> and insert <entities>

Andy Wightman

- 22 In section 2, page 1, line 21, at end insert—
- <() promoting a reduction in the consumption of natural resources.>

Andy Wightman

- 23 In section 2, page 1, line 21, at end insert—
- <() promoting and advancing wellbeing.>

Section 4

Andy Wightman

- 24 In section 4, page 2, line 20, leave out <business>

Section 6

Andy Wightman

- 25 In section 6, page 3, line 10, leave out <vulnerable consumers> and insert <consumers experiencing vulnerability>

Andy Wightman

- 26 In section 6, page 3, line 13, leave out from <vulnerable> to end of line 24 and insert <consumers experiencing vulnerability” includes, but is not restricted to, those consumers who experience vulnerability by virtue of age, mental or physical health, economic circumstances, geography or caring responsibilities.>

Andy Wightman

- 27 In section 6, page 3, line 24, at end insert—

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Amendments Atharrachaidhean				

<() Consumer Scotland must have regard to the environmental impact of the actions of consumers.>

After section 16

Andy Wightman

28 After section 16, insert—

<Environmental impact report

- (1) Consumer Scotland must, as soon as reasonably practicable after the end of each reporting period, prepare and publish a report on—
 - (a) the impact of the actions of consumers on progress towards meeting the net-zero emissions target set out in section A1 of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009, and
 - (b) where the actions of consumers have a negative impact on progress towards meeting the net-zero emissions target, the nature and extent of that impact.
- (2) In preparing a report under subsection (1), Consumer Scotland must have regard to the views of persons, bodies and organisations having an interest in consumer matters.
- (3) Consumer Scotland must—
 - (a) lay a copy of each report prepared under subsection (1) before the Scottish Parliament, and
 - (b) send a copy of it to the Scottish Ministers.
- (4) In this section, “reporting period” means—
 - (a) the period of 3 years beginning with 1 April following the coming into force of this section, and
 - (b) each subsequent period of 3 years.>

Section 20

Andy Wightman

29 In section 20, page 8, line 35, leave out from <consumers> to end of line 36 and insert <consumer interests in Scotland, and

- (b) the desirability of promoting and advancing the wellbeing of consumers.>

Section 23

Andy Wightman

30 In section 23, page 10, line 9, after <individual> insert <who, or a group which>

Andy Wightman

31 In section 23, page 10, line 10, leave out <who>

Andy Wightman

32 In section 23, page 10, line 10, leave out <or receives> and insert <, reuses, receives, shares, recycles or disposes of>

Andy Wightman

33 In section 23, page 10, line 13, leave out <who>

Andy Wightman

- 34 In section 23, page 10, line 13, leave out <or receiving> and insert <, reusing, receiving, sharing, recycling or disposing of>

Andy Wightman

- 35 In section 23, page 10, line 15, after <individual> insert <or group>

Andy Wightman

- 36 In section 23, page 10, line 19, after <profession> insert <, a not for profit enterprise (within the meaning of section 252(1F) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997)>

Progress of Legislation

A list of all Bills in progress can be accessed via the Scottish Parliament website at:

<https://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/576.aspx>

For each Bill, the date of the next (or most recent) event in the Bill's passage is given. Other relevant information, e.g. about lodging amendments, is given in italics.

As soon as a Public Bill (i.e. a Government, Committee or Member's Bill) has completed Stage 1, amendments for consideration at Stage 2 may be lodged; and as soon as Stage 2 is completed, amendments for Stage 3 consideration may be lodged. The last lodging day for amendments at Stage 2 is four sitting days before the meeting at which those amendments will be considered (e.g. Wednesday for a meeting on Tuesday); at Stage 3 it is five days before. Amendments may be lodged until 4.30 pm on any sitting day, except on the last lodging day for each Stage, when the deadline is 12 noon.

A Hybrid Bill is subject to the same rules except in the case of Stage 2 where amendments for consideration may be lodged no earlier than the completion of any consideration of evidence at Stage 2.

Amendments to Private Bills are subject to different deadlines. These are set out in Rule 9A.12 of Standing Orders.

Members are advised to lodge amendments in good time before the beginning of a Stage and as early as possible during the day.

(G) = Government Bill; (M) = Member's Bill; (C) = Committee Bill; (P) = Private Bill; (H) = Hybrid Bill.

Agriculture (Retained EU Law and Data) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Rural Economy and Connectivity)), 15 January 2020

Animals and Wildlife (Penalties, Protections and Powers) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform)), 17 December 2019

Budget (Scotland) (No.4) Bill (G)

Introduced, 6 February 2020

Children (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (evidence, lead committee (Justice)), 28 January 2020

Civil Partnership (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (lead committee (Equalities and Human Rights)), 20 February 2020

Consumer Scotland Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee), 25 February 2020

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Wednesday 19 February with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

Defamation and Malicious Publication (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (Justice Committee), 14 January 2020

Disclosure (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Education and Skills Committee), 4 March 2020

Amendments up to the end of Part 1 of the Bill should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 27 February with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

(Amendments to the remainder of the Bill should be lodged by 12 noon on Thursday 5 March)

Female Genital Mutilation (Protection and Guidance) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 2 Completed, 23 January 2020

Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

Forensic Medical Services (Victims of Sexual Offences) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Stage 1 (Health and Sport Committee), 3 December 2019

Non-Domestic Rates (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 5 February 2020

Period Products (Free Provision) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Stage 1 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 25 February 2020

State 1 Report – Local Government and Communities Committee (2nd Report 2020)

Protection of Workers (Retail and Age-restricted Goods and Services) (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 10 October 2019

Lead committee – Economy, Energy and Fair Work

Scottish Biometrics Commissioner Bill (G)

Stage 2 completed, 4 February 2020

Stage 3 amendments may now be lodged with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

Scottish Elections (Franchise and Representation) Bill (G)

Stage 3 (debate, meeting of the Parliament), 20 February 2020

Scottish Elections (Reform) Bill (G)

Stage 2 (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee), 12 March 2020

All amendments should be lodged by 12 noon on Friday 6 March 2020 with the clerks in the Legislation Team (LegislationTeam@parliament.scot)

Scottish National Investment Bank Bill (G)

Passed, 21 January 2020

Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill (P)

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Preliminary Stage (Solicitors in the Supreme Courts of Scotland (Amendment) Bill Committee), 14 January 2020

Preliminary Stage Report, 15 January 2020

Tied Pubs (Scotland) Bill (M)

Introduced, 3 February 2020

UK Withdrawal from the European Union (Legal Continuity) (Scotland) Bill (G)

Passed, 21 March 2018

Following a reference under section 33 of the Scotland Act 1998 by the Attorney General and the Advocate General for Scotland, the Supreme Court has ruled that some provisions of the Bill are outwith the legislative competence of the Scottish Parliament. The Bill cannot be submitted for Royal Assent in its unamended form.

Legislative Consent Memorandums

A list of all Legislative Consent Memorandums lodged with the Scottish Parliament can be accessed via the website at:

<http://www.parliament.scot/parliamentarybusiness/Bills/31313.aspx>

Birmingham Commonwealth Games Bill LCM-S5-31

Lodged on 30 January 2020

Lead committee – Health and Sport

Sentencing (Pre-consolidation Amendments) Bill LCM-S5-32

Lodged on 5 February 2020

Terrorist Offenders (Restriction of Early Release) Bill-LCM-S5-33

Lodged on 13 February 2020

Subordinate Legislation (*date of laying*) (lead committee)

Affirmative instruments

Lead Committee report due by 20 February 2020

[Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 \(Exclusions and Exceptions\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2019/draft\)](#) (18 December 2019) (Justice Committee)

Lead Committee report due by 2 March 2020

[Representation of the People \(Annual Canvass\) Amendment \(Scotland\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (14 January 2020) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

[Representation of the People \(Data Matching\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (14 January 2020) (Standards, Procedures and Public Appointments Committee)

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Lead Committee report due by 11 March 2020

[Census \(Scotland\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (23 January 2020) (Culture, Tourism and External Affairs Committee) [Some parts of the Order are subject to modification. Should Members wish to propose modifications to the Order, please contact the Parliamentary Business Team.]

Lead Committee report due by 12 March 2020

[Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Treatment of Consumer Scotland as Specified Authority\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (24 January 2020) (Economy, Energy and Fair Work Committee)

[Revenue Scotland and Tax Powers Act 2014 Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (24 January 2020) (Finance and the Constitution Committee)

Lead Committee report due by 16 March 2020

[Alcohol \(Minimum Price per Unit\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (28 January 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

[Energy Efficiency \(Domestic Private Rented Property\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (28 January 2020) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee)

Lead Committee report due by 17 March 2020

[Community Care \(Personal Care and Nursing Care\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (29 January 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

[Public Appointments and Public Bodies etc. \(Scotland\) Act 2003 \(Amendment of Specified Authorities\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (29 January 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland Social Security Chamber \(Procedure and Allocation of Functions\) Amendment Regulations 2020](#) (29 January 2020) (Justice Committee)

Lead Committee report due by 19 March 2020

[Direct Payments to Farmers \(Legislative Continuity\) \(Scotland\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/18\)](#) (31 January 2020) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

[Public Services Reform \(Registers of Scotland\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (31 January 2020) (Finance and the Constitution Committee)

[Social Security \(Advocacy Service Standards\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (31 January 2020) (Social Security Committee)

Lead Committee report due 22 March 2020

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[Human Tissue \(Authorisation\) \(Specified Type A Procedures\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020\)](#) (3 February 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

Lead Committee report due 25 March 2020

[Budget \(Scotland\) Act 2019 Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (6 February 2020) (Finance and the Constitution Committee)

[Land and Buildings Transaction Tax \(Tax Rates and Tax Bands\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/24\)](#) (6 February 2020) (Finance and Constitution Committee)

Lead Committee report due 26 March 2020

[Right to Buy Land to Further Sustainable Development \(Eligible Land, Specified Types of Area and Restrictions on Transfers, Assignations and Dealing\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (7 February 2020) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee)

[National Bus Travel Concession Scheme for Older and Disabled Persons \(Scotland\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (7 February 2020) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

Lead Committee report due 29 March 2020

[Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service \(Judicial Members\) Amendment Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (13 February 2020) (Justice Committee)

[Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service \(Procedure for Appointment of Members\) Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (13 February 2020) (Justice Committee)

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland \(Transfer of Functions of Bus Lane Adjudicators\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (13 February 2020) (Justice Committee)

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland \(Transfer of Functions of Parking Adjudicators\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (13 February 2020) (Justice Committee)

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland General Regulatory Chamber Parking and Bus Lane Cases and Upper Tribunal for Scotland \(Composition\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (13 February 2020) (Justice Committee)

[First-tier Tribunal for Scotland General Regulatory Chamber Parking and Bus Lane Appeals \(Rules of Procedure\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (13 February 2020) (Justice Committee)

[Civil Litigation \(Expenses and Group Proceedings\) \(Scotland\) Act 2018 \(Success Fee Agreements\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (17 February 2020) (Justice Committee)

[UEFA European Championship \(Trading and Advertising\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/draft\)](#) (17 February 2020) (Culture, Tourism and External Affairs Committee)

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Negative instruments

Subject to annulment by 21 February 2020
Lead Committee report due by 17 February 2020

[Conservation of Salmon \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/426\)](#) (19 December 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee)

[Electricity Works \(Environmental Impact Assessment\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/427\)](#) (19 December 2019) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee)

[Plant Health \(Import Inspection Fees\) \(Scotland\) Amendment \(No. 2\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/425\)](#) (19 December 2019) (Rural Economy and Connectivity Committee)

[Local Government Pension Scheme \(Increased Pension Entitlement\) \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2019 \(SSI 2019/438\)](#) (20 December 2019) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

[Royal Conservatoire of Scotland Amendment Order of Council 2020 \(SSI 2020/3\)](#) (09 January 2020) (Education and Skills Committee)

[Water and Sewerage Services to Dwellings \(Collection of Unmetered Charges by Local Authority\) \(Scotland\) Order 2020 \(SSI 2020/4\)](#) (09 January 2020) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee)

Subject to annulment by 16 March 2020
Lead Committee report due by 17 March 2020

[National Health Service \(Charges to Overseas Visitors\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/17\)](#) (29 January 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment by 16 March 2020
Lead Committee report due by 18 March 2020

[Personal Injuries \(NHS Charges\) \(Amounts\) \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/16\)](#) (30 January 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

Subject to annulment by 26 March 2020
Lead Committee report due by 23 March 2020

[Right to Buy Land to Further Sustainable Development \(Applications, Written Requests, Ballots and Compensation\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/21\)](#) (7 February 2020) (Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee)

Subject to annulment by 29 March 2020
Lead Committee report due by 23 March 2020

[Council Tax Reduction \(Scotland\) Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/25\)](#) (10 February 2020) (Social Security Committee)

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Progress of Legislation Adhartas Reachdais				

[Local Governance \(Scotland\) Act 2004 \(Remuneration\) Amendment Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/26\)](#) (13 February 2020) (Local Government and Communities Committee)

[National Health Service Superannuation and Pension Schemes \(Miscellaneous Amendments\) \(Scotland\) Regulations 2020 \(SSI 2020/30\)](#) (14 January 2020) (Health and Sport Committee)

Instruments/documents laid for consultation

Lead committee report due 23 March 2020

The following instruments/documents were laid before the Parliament on 4 February 2020 for consideration—

[UEFA European Championship \(Scotland\) Act 2020 Remedial Order 2020 \(SSI SG/2020/18\)](#) (4 February 2020)

[UEFA European Championship \(Scotland\) Act 2020 Remedial Order 2020: Statement of Reasons \(SSI SG/2020/19\)](#) (4 February 2020)

New Documents

Committee Reports

The following reports were published on 18 February 2020—

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 12th Report 2020 (Session 5): Subordinate Legislation Considered by the Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee on 18 February 2020 (SP Paper 681)

Delegated Powers and Law Reform Committee, 13th Report 2020 (Session 5): Budget (Scotland) (No.4) Bill: Stage 1 (SP Paper 682)

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